MUSEUM REPORT:

At the last meeting of our Society’s Council Mrs. Evans reported that the Museum had been well attended during the past school holidays. Many visitors had commented favourably upon the exhibits.

The Museum is also used in school days by parties of school children, but it is necessary to restrict special bookings to prevent overcrowding.

Mr. Evans pointed out that schools had to fill a bus to provide transport for children from school to Museum at moderate cost and that bus companies also want their buses during school peak transport period. It thus becomes necessary for the Museum to cater for school children during lunch time to fit in with transport.

The Committee decided that school teachers should be requested to visit the Museum prior to the visit of their pupils to prepare themselves to give the children the benefit of personal knowledge of the exhibits and to be able to explain them to the children.

It was suggested that teachers should play a big part during visits by school pupils and it is explained that we have no staff to take responsibility for conducting parties through the Museum.

In short, the Society provides the Museum; teachers are requested to conduct their pupils through it.

EXCURSION:

The Mulgoa District was as well booked as any excursion and arrangements had to be made at last minute to secure a bus with greater passenger capacity.

This augurs well for our winter short trips, which will be planned for July-August.

VALE:

With sorrow we record the recent passing of Mr. Frank Johanson. Although a member for a number of years, he rarely attended our functions, leaving the family to be represented by Mrs. Johanson, so well known to us all. He will be remembered in Illawarra by his prowess on the cricket field and bowling green.

Sincere condolences are extended to Mrs. Johanson and her daughters.

CONGRATULATIONS:

As the Bulletin was in preparation we heard with pleasure that Mrs. Mary Howells (Councillor) is the new President of the Wollongong Branch of the N.S.W. Justices' Association. In recording our congratulations we note that she is the first woman to hold the office.